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SUBJECT: EC AMBASSADOR TO WASHINGTON SPEAKS

OUT IN SUPPORT OF US FOREIGN POLICY

1. SPEAKING IN COPENHAGEN ON MAY 6 AT A MEETING OF
THE DANISH EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION FORMER DANISH
PRIME MINISTER AND PRESENT EC AMBASSADOR TO WASINGTON
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HENS OTTO KRAG, VOICED STRONG SUPPORT FOR US

FOREIGN PLICCY

2. "THE COLD WAR WITH RUSSIA AND CHINA HAS BEEN REPLACED BY CONSTRUCTIVE NEGOTIATIONS ON RELAXATION AND RECIPROCAL ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL PROJECTS... THEREFORE THE US HAD TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM AND ACCEPT THE INEVITABLE OUTCOME, MILITARY SURRENDER OF SOUTH VIETNAM". Krag HAD EARLIER CHARACTERIZED THE US WITHDRAWAL FROM SOUTHEAST ASIA AS PERHAPS MEANING AN "HISTORICAL CHANGE IN AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY"

3. Krag CONTINUED THAT HE "FULLY BELIEVED THAT THE US WILL MAINTAIN IT ALLIANCE WITH WESTERN EUROPE AND THAT ACCORDINLY(PRESENT) DANISH SECURITY POLICY CONTINUED TO BE THE PROPER ONE. THE MILITARY IMPORTANCE OF WESTERN EUROPE, TO THE US HAS NOT CHANGED AND THEREFORE NATO WILL ALWAYS REMAIN AS THE NECESSARY MILITARY BALANCE AGAINST EASTERN EUROPE.

4. IN RESPONDE TO A QUESTION ON THE RECENT CRITICISM BY PRIME MINISTER ANKER JORGENSEN OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S FOREIGN POLICY Krag SAID " IT WOULD BE WRONG TO SAY THAT THE IDEA BEHIND KISSINGER'S POLICY HAS SUFFERED A DEFEAT. THE LINE IN KISSINGERS POLICY IS RING AND SOUND."

5. COMMENT. Krag'S REMARKS ARE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST SINCE HE REMAINS A LEADING SOCIAL DEMOCRAT WHO IN A SENSE HANPICKED ANKER JORGENSEN AS HIS OWN SUCCESSOR.
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